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SUBJECT: UNREST ON RHODESIAN CAMPUS

1. 155 AFRICAN STUDENTS AT MULTI-RACIAL UNIVERSITY OF RHODESIA (UR) WERE ARRESTED AUGUST 7 FOLLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING PUNISHMENT OF 14 STUDENTS FOR DEMONSTRATIONS AUGUST 3. STUDENTS REPORTEDLY SMASHED WINDOWS IN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND SET FIRE TO GRASS ON ATHLETIC FIELDS. A STATEMENT BY MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER ANNOUNCED POLICE INVESTIGATIONS ON AND OFF CAMPUS ARE CONTINUING AND EXPRESSED INTENTION THAT THOSE ARRESTED SHOULD APPEAR IN COURT AT "EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY."

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS IN SOUTH AFRICA, AUGUST 3 DEMONSTRATIONS, WHICH INCLUDED STONE THROWING AND SEIZURE OF UNIVERSITY PROPERTY, WERE IN PROTEST AGAINST LOW WAGES PAID UR BLACK WORKERS. UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE HAS RECOMMENDED EXPULSION OF SIX STUDENTS, SUSPENSION FOR REMAINDER OF YEAR FOR FOUR, AND FINES OF R50 EACH FOR ANOTHER FOUR.

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EM LECTURERS FROM SEVERAL FACULTIES HAVE SENT LETTER

TO PRINCIPLE, PROFESSOR ROBERT CRAIG, EXPRESSING
"OUTRAGE" AT HIS HANDLING OF SITUATION AND CHARGING
HE "ABROGATED HIS POWER" BY HANDING MATTER OVER TO
POLICE.
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